

July 3, 1930.

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Nevada
Toiyabe

Director,
Coast and Geodetic Survey,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Captain Patton:

Please refer to my letter of May 22, 1930, regarding the name Toiyabe:

The Forest Service has endeavored on two different occasions to get the board to reconsider the decision of October 7, 1908, as to the spelling of this range of mountains in Nevada.

The Presidential Proclamation which was issued from the White House a number of years ago spelled the name Toiyabe, and under official rulings the Forest Service has felt somewhat embarrassed as to which spelling was correct. It is their opinion that the official spelling in the proclamation supplants the board's decision inasmuch as it was issued several years after the decision.

Since your bureau has issued several sheets and publications in which the spelling Toiyabe was used, I should be very glad to have you advise me in regard to this matter. There is, of course, no serious objection to the board's reconsiderating its previous decision.

I may say that the majority of the authorities quoted in the original decision favored spelling it Toiyabe. At that time, however, 1908, the board was carrying out a policy, which several of the bureaus had

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entered into, of cutting out unnecessary letters in names of this kind. This as you are aware has been the cause of a great deal of criticism on some of the earlier decisions of the board, some of which have been revised to meet the criticisms. It might be well to do that in this case and spell the name according to Presidential Proclamation, Toiyabe.

I should be very glad to have your advice on the matter.

Very sincerely yours,

Will C. Barnes,
Secretary.